Rudy Cruz, Jr.
Mayor

Ruben Reyes
At Large

Cesar Nevarez
District 1

Alejandro Garcia
District 2

Gina Cordero
District 3/Mayor Pro Tem

Irene Rojas
District 4

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 1, 2026 @ 6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Mayor Rudy Cruz, Jr.
Ruben Reyes
Cesar Nevarez
Alejandro Garcia
Gina Cordero
Irene Rojas

STAFF PRESENT:
Adriana Rodarte, City Manager
Victor Perez, Deputy City Manager
Olivia Navarro, City Clerk
Lorrine Quimiro, City Planner
Jim Martinez, City Attorney

Alfredo Ferando, IT Systems Administrator
Victor Reta Recreation Ctrs. Director
Robert Rojas, Police Chief
Alejandra Valadez, City Development Director *(joined virtually)*
Carol Candelaria, HR Director

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at: 6:03 pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence by Escontrias Steam Academy

Pledge of Allegiance led by IDEA Rio Vista School and moment of silence.

3. Establishment of Quorum

Quorum was established with all council members present.

4. PUBLIC COMENT

Rafael Salcedo spoke during Public Comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. ***EXCUSE*** **ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS.** ***OLIVIA NAVARRO***

6. ***APPROVAL*** **OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2026.** ***OLIVIA NAVARRO***

7. ***DISCUSSION AND ACTION*** **ON APPROVING JULY 2026 UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT.** ***LOURDES GOMEZ***

8. ***DISCUSSION AND ACTION*** **ON APPROVING JULY 2026 CASH RECEIPTS REPORT.** ***LOURDES GOMEZ***

9. ***DISCUSSION AND ACTION*** **ON APPROVING JULY 2026 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REPORT.** ***LOURDES GOMEZ***

A motion was made by Ruben Reyes seconded by Alejandro Garcia to *approve the Consent Agenda.* Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero, and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain:

REGULAR AGENDA
PUBLIC HEARING AND ORDINANCES

10. ***PUBLIC HEARING*** **OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF LOT 5A1, BLOCK 2, EL GRAN VALLE REPLAT B, LOCATED AT 11550 DINDINGER RD., CITY OF SOCORRO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS, FROM R-1 (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-2A (URBAN RESIDENTIAL), TO ALLOW FOR A QUADRUPLEX.** ***LORRINE QUIMIRO***

Public Hearing Opened at 6:12 p.m.
No Speakers for Public Hearing
Public Hearing closed at 6:12 p.m.

11. ***SECOND READING, AND ADOPTION*** **OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF LOT 5A1, BLOCK 2, EL GRAN VALLE REPLAT B, LOCATED AT 11550 DINDINGER RD., CITY OF SOCORRO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS, FROM R-1 (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-2A (URBAN RESIDENTIAL), TO ALLOW FOR A QUADRUPLEX.** ***LORRINE QUIMIRO***

A motion was made by Gina Cordero seconded by Ruben Reyes to *approve item eleven (11).* Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero
Nays: Irene Rojas
Abstain:

12. ***PUBLIC HEARING* OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACT 2, BLOCK 23, SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED AT 10540 SOCORRO RD., CITY OF SOCORRO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS, FROM C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL), TO ALLOW FOR A QUADRUPLEX.**

LORRINE QUIMIRO

Public Hearing opened at 6:22 p.m.
No Speakers for Public Hearing
Public Hearing closed at 6:22 p.m.

13. ***SECOND READING, AND ADOPTION* OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACT 2, BLOCK 23, SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED AT 10540 SOCORRO RD., CITY OF SOCORRO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS, FROM C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL), TO ALLOW FOR A QUADRUPLEX.**

LORRINE QUIMIRO

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Gina Cordero to *approve item thirteen (13).*

An amended motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *approve item thirteen (13) with the condition to bring property up to code.* Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero, and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain:

14. ***PUBLIC HEARING* OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACT 2-H-1, BLOCK 4, SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED ON N. MOON RD., CITY OF SOCORRO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS, FROM A-1 (AGRICULTURAL) TO R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL), TO ALLOW FOR A RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT.**

LORRINE QUIMIRO

Public Hearing opened at 6:30 p.m.
No speakers for Public Hearing
Public Hearing closed at 6:30 p.m.

15. ***SECOND READING, AND ADOPTION* OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACT 2-H-1, BLOCK 4, SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED ON N. MOON RD., CITY OF SOCORRO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS, FROM A-1 (AGRICULTURAL) TO R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL), TO ALLOW FOR A RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT.**
LORRINE QUIMIRO

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Gina Cordero to *approve item fifteen (15).* Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero, and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain:

GRANTS DEPARTMENT

16. ***DISCUSSION AND ACTION* TO APPROVE UPDATES TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S TITLE VI PROGRAM IN COMPLIANCE WITH TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) GUIDELINES.**
ALEJANDRA VALADEZ

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Gina Cordero to *approve item sixteen (16).* Motion passed.

Irene Rojas stepped out of the meeting at 6:39 p.m.
Irene Rojas stepped back into the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero, and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain:

17. ***DISCUSSION AND ACTION* TO APPROVE AN UPDATED RESOLUTION 852 AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SOCORRO TO ENTER INTO AN ADVANCE FUNDING AGREEMENT (AFA) WITH THE STATE OF TEXAS, ACTING THROUGH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT), TO APPROVE FUNDING FOR THE SOCORRO MICRO TRANSIT VEHICLES PROJECT (CSJ: 0924-06-765).** ***ALEJANDRA VALADEZ***

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Gina Cordero to *approve item seventeen (17).* Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero, and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain:

18. ***DISCUSSION AND ACTION* TO APPROVE SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 1 TO WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 5 UNDER CONTRACT NO. 22-07-01 WITH CAMACHO-HERNANDEZ & ASSOCIATES, LLC FOR THE TA23 SOCORRO ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PH1 PROJECT (CSJ 0002-14-048). THIS SUPPLEMENTAL WILL RESULT IN AN ADDITIONAL COST OF $44,712.72 TO THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT PAYABLE, TO BE FUNDED THROUGH 2026 CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION.**

ALEJANDRA VALADEZ

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Gina Cordero to *approve item eighteen (18).* Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero, and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain:

CITY MANAGER

19. ***DISCUSSION AND ACTION* TO RATIFY THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) USED 2016 CATERPILLAR AP1055F ASPHALT PAVER FROM WAGNER EQUIPMENT CO. IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF $96,221.09, UTILIZING 2026 CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION.** ***ADRIANA RODARTE***

A motion was made by Cesar Nevarez seconded by Alejandro Garcia to *approve item nineteen (19).* Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero, and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain:

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Gina Cordero to *move item number twenty (20) into Executive Session for the purpose of consulting with the attorney.*

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero, and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain:

THE CITY COUNCIL CONVENES IN CLOSED SESSION AT 6:50 PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION

THE CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED IN OPEN SESSION AT 7:13 PM

20. ***DISCUSSION AND ACTION*** **TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 863 RECOGNIZING AND SUPPORTING THE CREATION OF THE SOCORRO BUSINESS ASSOCIATION.** ***RUBEN REYES***

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Gina Cordero to *delete item twenty (20).* Motion passed.

Ayes: Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero, and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain: Ruben Reyes

21. ***DISCUSSION AND ACTION*** **ON ADVICE RECEIVED FROM CITY ATTORNEY IN CLOSED SESSION, AND ACTION TO APPROVE REAL ESTATE TRANSACTION; AUTHORIZE FILING OR SETTLEMENT OF LEGAL ACTION; AUTHORIZE EMPLOYMENT OF EXPERT WITNESSES AND CONSULTANTS, AND EMPLOYMENT OF SPECIAL COUNSEL WITH RESPECT TO PENDING LEGAL MATTERS.** ***ADRIANA RODARTE***

22. ***DISCUSSION AND ACTION*** **ON QUALIFICATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS FOR EMPLOYMENT AND FOR APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS & COMMISSIONS, JOB PERFORMANCE OF EMPLOYEES, REAL ESTATE ACQUISITION AND RECEIVE LEGAL ADVICE FROM CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGAL ISSUES AFFECTING THESE MATTERS.**
ADRIANA RODARTE

23. ***DISCUSSION AND ACTION*** **REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION AND RECEIVE STATUS REPORT REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION.**
ADRIANA RODARTE

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *delete items twenty-one (21), twenty-two (22) and twenty-three (23).* Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero, and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain:

24. ***ADJOURN***

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Gina Cordero to *adjourn at 7:14 p.m.* Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero, and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain:

Rudy Cruz, Jr., Mayor

Olivia Navarro, City Clerk

Oct 15, 2026

Date approved